

From: Latimer, Becky

Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 10:32 AM

To:

Subject: 2019-281-S

Dear Kay Thomas,

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Sincerely, Becky Latimer

From:

Easterling, Deborah

Sent:

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 10:18 AM

To:

Latimer, Becky

Subject:

FW: [External] Letter of Protest against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

From: K Thomas ·

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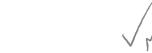
Sent: Saturday, January 18, 2020 1:45 PM To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>

Subject: [External] Letter of Protest against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

The last increase from Palmetto Utilities was ridiculous and the newly proposed amount is just as ridiculous. I am a single mother trying to take care of the home and all of its wear and tear. There is no way I can afford \$67 a month. There is no way the toilet flushes that much to begin with. The water bill is cheaper than this bill. This is too much.

Kind Regards,

Kay Thomas



From:

Latimer, Becky

Sent:

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 10:33 AM

To:

Subject:

2019-281-S

Dear Lorenda Younger

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From:

Easterling, Deborah

Sent:

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 10:19 AM

To:

Latimer, Becky

Subject:

FW: [External] Letter of protest against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020 Docket 2019-281-S

----Original Message-----From: Lorenda Younger <

Sent: Saturday, January 18, 2020 2:47 PM To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>

Cc: Lorenda Younger < mkcaddydirector@aol.com>

Subject: [External] Letter of protest against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020 Docket 2019-281-S

I am not in favor of this company increasing our sewer rate again. When does is stop!?! How do we ever get ahead? When our salaries are not increasing and our bills are, this will cause a problem.

I am single and I have to pay the same rates as a household with two or more people. That is not fair! Tell me how it is!

I've lived in my home since 1998. At that time I was paying \$12.50 for sewer. Agree 19 years it goes up to \$26.50. So it doubled but did so over a long period of time. Within the last year, that amount doubled to \$52.10. Now this is highway robbery!!! And now they are asking for \$66.62!?! Absolutely NOT! And on top is that, they had the nerve to add a .78 late fee. How absurd!

I'm asking that the Commission rule in favor of the consumer and make Palmetto Utilities find another way to get what they need. I can't continue to do this. I am OUTRAGED!!!!

Lorenda Younger

Columbia, SC



From:

Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 10:34 AM

Latimer, Becky

To:

Subject: 2019-281-S

Dear Kate Odom,

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From: Kate Odom <

Sent: Saturday, January 18, 2020 5:23 PM **To:** PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov> **Cc:** Kate Odom <kateodom20@yahoo.com>

Subject: [External] Fwd: Letter to Protest Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

Please see the below, my original kicked back. Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Kate Odom ·

Date: January 16, 2020 at 10:43:45 AM EST
To: "contact@pcs.sc.gov" <contact@pcs.sc.gov>

Subject: Letter to Protest Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

Hello! I am writing in regards to the notification that Palmetto Utilities has applied for an application to increase the current Individual monthly rate from \$52.10 to \$66.62. I do not believe there should an increase. In comparison to other counties our rates are already expensive.

Please reconsider the rates have gone up tremendously since City of Columbia split out the other charges to Palmetto Utilities. As a resident of my community for over 10 years, I am very concerned about the continued increases.

Thanks for your time and reconsideration!

~Kate Odom